

## ABSTRACT

A method for updating the value of a time-out period in a data unit sender. The updating includes deriving an intermediate value from the n most recently measured values of a response time, augmenting the intermediate value, reducing the current value of the time-out period, determining the maximum from among the augmented intermediate value and the reduced current value of the time-out period, and setting a new value of the time-out period to set a maximum value.